

Executive Director's Report for January 24, 2007 DHT Board Meeting

Fundraising:

Submitted Peacock Foundation grant proposal for \$30,000 and met with Peacock President Joelle Allen

Met with Tina Lane and Leslie Buchanan of Dunspaugh-Dalton Foundation re grant

Completed thank you's to sponsors and donors of auction items for DHT Indian Creek Fundraiser

Called Nancy Batchelor re meeting about Batchelor Foundation grant

Met with Megan Kelly of Swire Properties, Adam Lukin of Downtown Development Authority and Hal Martell of Brickell Area Association re DHT's help in securing listing of Brickell Avenue as an Historic and Scenic Highway

Attended fundraising seminar at Children's Museum

Wrote letter to Eugene Threadgill suggesting a gift to DHT in honor of his mother, the first valedictorian in the Old Miami High bungalow

Contacted Dwight Hill re Mellon Bank corporate support

Community Outreach and Public Relations:

Wrote letter of sympathy to family of DHT Advisor Athalie Range and ordered a Cape Florida Lighthouse brick in her memory

Attended Museum of Science VIP event hosted by Channel 2

Attended Villagers meeting

Attended Brickell Area Association luncheon to hear Senator Gwen Margolis speak on the Florida legislative session

Attended International Women's Forum dinner

Attended book signing for Arva Moore Parks at Coral Gables Country Club

Attended Prologue Society meeting

Attended Dade Heritage Trust Holiday Party, took photos and handled bills

Met with Miami High Alumnus Eugene Threadgill from McLean, VA., showed him Old Miami High, reviewed plans for restoration and invited him to DHT Holiday Party, giving him ride

Met with Karen Chisholm, lead teacher at Southside Elementary, re Museum Magnet program students participating in Dade Heritage Days; also spoke with Gifted Program teacher Maria Martinez and principal Salvatore Schiavone

Participated as board member on Art in Public Places Trust

Attended meeting at Shenandoah Middle School re Museum Magnet School program and ways to make participating schools look more like museums; toured their prospective art exhibit hall

Attended grand opening of the City of Miami Horse Patrol Stables in Lummus Park and spoke with Mayor Manny Diaz and Commissioner Joe Sanchez

Was interviewed by Miami Today writer Marilyn Bowen re damage to DHT Headquarters by condo development and was photographed by Maxine Usdan with damage

Discussed Hialeah Park's future with activist Alex Fuentes

Participated in Pinecrest Gardens Visioning discussion with Pinecrest Village Council, at the request of Pinecrest Garden Club members

Attended Stiltsville Trust meeting and initiated event for Dade Heritage Days

Met with Judy Pruitt and Bob Jaeger of Partners for Sacred Places re helping historic churches in Miami

Met with Ruth Jacobs re plans for Museum Magnet School program

Spoke with writer from Old House Journal re covering DHT's bungalow in a TV show on restoring unique homes

Administrative:

Prepared proposal listing DHT tasks to do for GOB Preservation Fund to enable DHT to earn 5% of annual funding allocated for Preservation Fund

Processed payment to architect William Medellin for Old Miami High

Prepared paperwork and attended City Zoning Board to request parking variance for Old Miami High; request was approved

Prepared final check for Turnkey Construction for Dice House and secured release of lien

Met with Judy Pruitt re DHT future plans

Worked on State grant progress report for Old Miami High

Worked on plans for Dade Heritage Days

Contacted Michael Hardy and arranged for DHT event at Performing Arts Center for Dade Heritage Days

Hired Leslie Rivera to work part-time at DHT to help with Dade Heritage Days and development

Prepared info and agendas for Executive Committee and Board meetings

Secured bid from contractors for DHT Headquarters repairs

Arranged meeting re damages to DHT Headquarters attended by Tony Rey and Joe Pena of Solaris, Kirk Menendez, City of Miami attorney, Judy Marsie-Hazen and Madeline Valdez of City's Asset Management, and Judy Pruitt, Walter Alvarez, J.C. Cabrera, and Hugh Ryan

Met with contractors from City and from Solaris re repairs

Met with contractors re Old Miami High

Met with State Preservation Architect David Ferro and architect William Medellin to visit Old Miami High and review construction plans